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OPEN THE WINDOWS

With University classes due to be resumed for all students Thursday, it is hoped that some students and teachers can be induced to forego their craving for hot stuffy rooms.

There's not a classroom without a window. In an emergency such as this, there is no reason why every window should not be open whenever the room is occupied.

What if it is cold? It's no more extraordinary to wear an overcoat in class than a mask.

Fresh-air classes in the larger cities have proved their worth for sickly children. The University can profit by the example.

Just a suggestion to some of our most noted cartoonists: Why not have President Wilson caricatured as a doctor, properly labelled, "Dr. Wilson," administering a bitter dose of medicine to Germany?

AUSTRIA SUBMITS TO THE KNIFE

Austria is facing the prospect of dismemberment with apparent good grace.

In her latest note she practically asks President Wilson to bring on the carving knife or anything else he deems necessary, so long as he will "be subject as to peace overtures on" the kind of "peace between Austro-Hungary and the states in the opposing group, and an immediate armistice upon all Austro-Hungarian fronts."

Austria must realize that dismemberment is just ahead when she agrees with President Wilson's statement as to the "rights of the Austro-Hungarian peoples, especially the Czech-Slovaks and the Jugos. She must also realize that when division of the Dual Empire's territory begins there is no telling where it will end.

It is hard to see how anything short of desperation would make Austria agree to this. Presumably this desperation exists.

It is noteworthy that the Austro-Hungarian government (no longer described by its mouthpieces as the imperial and royal Austro-Hungarian government) makes no mention of Germany in the note. A separate peace is apparently what the Austrians want now.

SMALL THINGS THAT ARE VITAL

Peaches, apricots, prunes, plums, olives, dates, cherries, Brazil nuts, hickory nuts, walnuts, butternuts—surely you have eaten some of them lately. What have you done with the stones, pits and shells?

If you have saved them carefully so that you can give them to the Government to use in making carbon for gas masks, you can add to your feeling that you are actually helping to win the war. If you threw them away, haven't you a haunting, ashamed thought in the back of your brain that you are not doing all you can to help our boys who are sacrificing their all for the cause of democracy and liberty while we remain in comparative comfort at home?

The Government is crying for fruit stones and pits and nut shells at the rate of 1,000,000 pounds a day, while only about one-third of that amount is being supplied. The next time you have an impulse to throw away a basket of walnut shells or a pile of peach stones or any kind of shell or stone that is needed by the Government, remember that you may be throwing away the life of some one who is near and dear to you.

Don't throw them away. Save every one and, when you have a collection, take them to one of the receptacles provided for the purpose and they will be made into life-saving carbon to protect our soldiers against the poisonous gasses of the enemy.

WHY UN-AMERICAN?

The Citizens' Committee of St. Louis, has begun an advertising campaign to defeat Amendment No. 6, which provides for the prohibition of the "manufacture, sale and giving away of intoxicating liquors." The first reason given why prohibition should be defeated is that the amendment is undemocratic and, as such, un-American, and constitutes a serious invasion of the bill of rights of citizens of Missouri.

One need not read farther—all the arguments are along this same line. No reason is given to prove that the amendment is undemocratic and un-American. Just the statement. To a thinking person, such a statement always provokes the question "Why?" To this there is no answer, or at

least the Citizens' Committee makes none.

The members of this committee, whoever they may be, are clever enough to make capital of the wave of patriotism now rampant in the country, by labeling the amendment un-American. They forget, however, that enveloped in the surge of this patriotic torrent, the citizens of Missouri are yet of the old "show me" type, the conservative type that will not be swept off their feet by every passing flood.

Instead, as behooves good Missourians,—we might say, good Americans, except that it would be making capital of our patriotic feeling, the procedure objected to in the above-mentioned article—the citizens of this state will consider the matter of statewide prohibition and vote on it as they, in their honest convictions, see fit.

Individual liberty and self-determination are terms which are being too lightly and promiscuously used these days. Every one who has an idea and wants to get it through, says the opposition strikes at every principle of individual liberty and self-determination. But, and here is the weak point always in the argument, no one seems to think it necessary to show just how this individual liberty is threatened. And Missourians do like to be shown.

The native conservatism of the sons of Missouri (would it were the daughters, too), will save the state from serious mistake on this score, in their voting in November this year.

A MORNING PRAYER

The day returns and brings us the petty round of irritating concerns and duties. Help us to play the man, help us to perform them with laughter and kind faces; let cheerfulness abound with industry. Give us to bring us to our resting beds weary and content and undisturbed, and grant us in the end the gift of sleep. Amen.

—ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON.

CASUALTY LIST

Today's casualty list contains 550 names divided as follows: Killed in action, 54; died from wounds, 43; died from accident and other causes, 6; died from airplane accident, 4; died from disease, 92; wounded severely, 149; wounded, degree undetermined, 145; wounded slightly, 40; missing in action, 65, and prisoners, 2.

A list of the Missourians on the list with their addresses and next of kin follows:

Killed in Action.

Key, Private Austin W., Kirkwood, Mo. Mrs. Key.

Died From Wounds.

Sherburn, Private Leo T., St. Louis, Mo. C. E. Sherburn.

Died of Disease.

Griffin, Private C. M., Mercer, Mrs. S. R. Griffin.

Cabanne, Bugler William Henry, St. Louis, Mo. Henry Cabanne.

Bell, Private Ernest M., Lexington, Mo. Maude Bell.

Wounded, Degree Undetermined.

Killian, Corporal Robert Lee, St. Louis, Mo. Elizabeth Killian.

Shoemaker, Corporal James S., Perkins, Charles H. Perkins.

James, Private Silvan E., Bosworth, George J. James.

Nifong, Private Shirley C., St. Louis, Mo. S. C. Nifong.

Salyers, Private Otho, Kahoka, Mo. William Salyers.

Spencer, Private Fred L., Kansas City, Mo. Nat Spencer.

Slightly Wounded.

Overturf, Private John D., St. Louis, Mo. Nellie Overturf.

Ettlinger, Private William Leonard, Popular Bluff, Mo. Gertrude Ettlinger.

Missing in Action.

Bartman, Private Paul F., St. Louis, Mo. Emma Bartman.

The name of Raleigh Younger was listed from R. F. D., Columbia, but no state was given. There are cities named Columbia in several other states than Missouri. William D. Younger was named as next of kin.

500 HUNTING LICENSES ISSUED

Four State Permits in County Since January 1.

Exactly five hundred hunting licenses have been issued at the county clerk's office since January 1, 1918, four of which were state licenses issued to L. D. Bass and W. L. Nelson of Columbia and E. E. Claypool and C. L. Bullard of Ashland.

The open season on quail begins November 1 and lasts only nine days. The open season on tur-bearing animals for trapping and shooting is December 1, to February 1 inclusive. A hunter's license entitles the holder to trap for fur-bearing animals in season.

The holder of a hunting license is required to fill in a blank report on the back of his license at the end of the year—setting forth the number and kind of game killed during the year. This report goes to the office of the State Game and Fish Commission at Jefferson City.

The revenue from hunting licenses issued in Boone County so far this year amounts to \$516. A county license costs one dollar and a state license \$5.00.

ARMY DOES NOT OVERLOOK EVEN MEN'S LEMON DROPS

BY HARVEY O'HIGGINS
Associate Chairman Committee on Public Information.

They are a small thing in themselves—lemon drops—but in the manner of their handling by our War Department they are indicative of much larger matters.

When draft armies first came into training, it was found that the lemon drop was a favorite candy among the men. It was found also that most of the commercial lemon drops were made of glucose, flavored not with the fruit but with an acid imitation. The military authorities obtained samples of lemon drops from practically all the candy makers in the country, analyzed these, chose the best one, obtained the formula for its manufacture and distributed orders for a supply of lemon drops to be made according to the accepted recipe.

Consequently, the soldiers are now being supplied with a lemon drop that is made of pure granulated sugar and flavored with an emulsion from the rind of the lemon. This confection has the thirst-quenching quality of good lemonade. And it is being used by the soldiers at the rate of two hundred thousand pounds a month.

The country's supply of soluble coffee has been taken over for the use of the men in the trenches. Experiments have been conducted in order to obtain an especially good quality of coffee, one that can be put up in stick form, like chewing gum, in waterproof wrappers, and one that is easily dissolved in cold water so that the soldiers in exposed posts may have their cup of coffee without lighting a fire that might attract the attention of the enemy. So much of the coffee is now called for by the army that the supply is not equal to the demand, and new companies are being formed for its manufacture.

A new shoe is being issued to the men that is "superior in construction and quality to any shoe produced commercially in this country hitherto."

It has three heavy outer soles cut from the best portion of the hide. The leather of the uppers is "tanned and stuffed in a more thorough way" than ordinarily. It has steel toe plates and heel plates. Instead of being stitched, it is "metallic fastened." The soldiers are using up shoes at the rate of three million pairs a month and it has become necessary to restrict the sale of sole leather for civilian use.

For the first time in the history of the Army, razors are being issued to the troops. They are safety razors, and new blades are furnished as they are needed. The Army has learned by experience that a clean shave and a good appearance sustain the morale of the men.

If you find it impossible to buy soluble coffee, thick-soled shoes, or your accustomed safety-razor blades, it is because the Army needs them. These are little things. But as the wit has said: "Perfection is an affair of little things, yet perfection is not a little thing." The showing which our troops have made in France is largely due to that efficient foresight of the military authorities which has not overlooked even the lemon drop as an aid to victory.

PLAN TO FIGHT RATS AND MICE

Nat'l. Dept. of Agriculture Organizes Campaign to Rid Nation of Pests.

The National Department of Agriculture is organizing a nation-wide campaign for the extermination of rats and mice, in which it asks the co-operation of everyone.

Authorities have estimated the annual waste in food stuffs caused by rats and mice at \$200,000,000. This represents the full effort for production of 200,000 men.

The work is to be carried on under the direction of the state college of agriculture. Officials of the Missouri College of Agriculture said today they had not yet received word of the campaign.

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Vote for the adoption of Amendment SIX on your ballot on November Fifth. Many a vote in the past intended for prohibition has gone into the ballot box as a vote for the saloon because of an error in voters' ballot.

Below is shown how your ballot should look as to amendment number six if you want to get rid of booze in Missouri:

SIXTH CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

Joint and concurrent resolution submitted to the qualified voters of the State of Missouri, an amendment thereof, concerning the prohibition of the manufacture, sale and giving away of intoxicating liquors within the State of Missouri, with penalties attached.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring therein:

That at the general election to be held on the first Tuesday following the first Monday in November, 1918, the following amendment to the Constitution of Missouri, concerning prohibition, shall be submitted to the qualified voters of said state, to-wit:

Section 1. The manufacture of intoxicating liquors is hereby prohibited in this state except for medicinal, scientific or mechanical purposes. The sale of intoxicating liquors is also hereby prohibited in this state except for medicinal, scientific or mechanical purposes. The manufacture or sale of wine for religious or sacramental purposes is also excepted. This constitutional provision shall not take effect until November 1, 1919.

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